Appellate Tribunal for Foreign Exchange. Upto 31.12.2000,390 fresh appeals have been filed before the Appellate Tribunal for Foreign Exchange.

(c) There is no such proposal under consideration.

(d) The posts of the Chairperson and full-time Members of the Appellate Tribunal are being filled up on regular basis. With the Appellate Tribunal shortly becoming fully functional, the pendency is expected to reduce.

Delimitation of Lok Sabha Seats

† 1063. SHRI P.K. MAHESHWARI: Will the Minister of LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received certain suggestions from the State Governments for delimitation of some Lok Sabha seats;

(b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise; and

(c) the Government's reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI ARUN JAITLEY): (a) to (c) The Governments of Tamil Nadu and Andhra Pradesh have sought extension of the current constitutional embargo on undertaking fresh readjustment of electoral constituencies. In this regard, Government has already introduced a Bill, namely, the Constitution (Ninety-first Amendment) Bill, 2000 in the Lok Sabha, on 27.11.2000 seeking to further extend the constitutional embargo on undertaking fresh delimitation of electoral constituencies up to the year 2026 AD and simultaneously to undertake readjustment and rationalization of electoral constituencies, including those reserved for the Scheduled Castes and the Scheduled Tribes, based on the population census for the year 1991, without affecting the number of seats allocated to States in the legislative bodies. The bill is under examination by the Department related Standing Committee of Parliament for HomeAffairs.

† Original notice of Question was received in Hindi.